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TRUTH AND INTEGRITY PROJECT RELEASES REPORT: DISGUST AND DISTRUST

The Truth and Integrity Project has released a major report – Disgust and Distrust...and what communities are doing about it.

The report says: “There is no greater manifestation of community disgust and distrust in Federal politics than the proliferation of independent candidates, community-based campaigns ranging across integrity, climate, the ABC, science, technology, education, trade unions and many other issues. “

It says a wide range of think tanks are also producing outstanding research and recommendations which address government policy failures and neglect.

“Arguably the range, number and support for all these groups is almost unprecedented in the 120 years of Federation since the first election in 1901.

“Indeed, the only comparable situation was in the middle of WWII when in the 1943 election, according to the Psephos election archive, 19.4% of voters choose ‘Others’. In Victoria the figure was 25.6%, NSW 20.6%, WA 22.9%, Queensland 13.2% and South Australia only 6.7%. In what is now Josh Frydenberg’s Kooyong seat the Communist Party candidate polled 8.2%.”

This special Truth and Integrity Project report analyses:

- The symptoms of the malaise in Australian politics and the disgust in and distrust of government and political parties
- The underlying causes of the disgust and distrust
- How the disgust and distrust is manifested
- How people and organisations are responding
- What research and policy analysis is being promoted
- What do their campaigns and activities involve and look like

The report also includes a list of organisations campaigning to reverse this malaise and details of their objectives and campaign techniques; think tanks filling the policy vacuums left by Government and political parties; and independent media combatting the dominance of the major groups.

YOUR COPY OF THE REPORT IS ATTACHED. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Visit the Truth and Integrity project website. www.thetruthandintegrityproject.org.au

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